

DERIVATIONS, GRADINGS, ACTIONS OF ALGEBRAIC GROUPS, AND CODIMENSION GROWTH OF POLYNOMIAL IDENTITIES

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ABSTRACT. Suppose a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} acts by derivations on a finite dimensional associative or Lie algebra A over a field of characteristic 0. We prove the \mathfrak{g} -invariant analogs of Wedderburn — Mal'cev and Levi theorems, and the analog of Amitsur's conjecture on asymptotic behavior for codimensions of polynomial identities with derivations of A . It turns out that for associative algebras the differential PI-exponent coincides with the ordinary one. Also we prove the analog of Amitsur's conjecture for finite dimensional associative algebras with an action of a reductive affine algebraic group by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms or graded by an arbitrary Abelian group not necessarily finite. In addition, we provide criteria for G -, H - and graded simplicity in terms of codimensions.

1. INTRODUCTION

The Levi Theorem is one of the main results of structure Lie theory, as well as the Wedderburn — Mal'cev Theorem is one of the central results in structure ring theory. We are interested in Lie and associative algebras with an additional structure, e.g. graded, H -(co)module, or G -algebras, and in decompositions compatible with these structures. In 1957, E.J. Taft proved [40] the G -invariant Levi and Wedderburn — Mal'cev theorems for G -algebras with an action of a finite group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Due to a well-known duality between G -gradings and G -actions, Taft's result implies graded decompositions of algebras graded by a finite Abelian group G over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. The study of Wedderburn decompositions for H -module algebras was started by A. V. Sidorov [37] in 1986. In 1999, D. Ştefan and F. Van Oystaeyen [38] proved the H -coinvariant Wedderburn — Mal'cev Theorem for finite dimensional H -comodule associative algebras, where H is a Hopf algebra with an ad-invariant left integral $t \in H^*$ such that $t(1) = 1$. In particular, they proved the H -(co)invariant Wedderburn — Mal'cev Theorem for finite dimensional semisimple H over a field of characteristic 0, the graded Wedderburn — Mal'cev Theorem for any grading group provided that the Jacobson radical is graded too, and the G -invariant Wedderburn — Mal'cev Theorem for associative algebras with a rational action of a reductive algebraic group G by automorphisms only. The graded Levi Theorem for finite dimensional Lie algebras over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0, graded by a finite group, was proved by D. Pagon, D. Repovš, and M.V. Zaicev [35] in 2011.

In 2012, the first author proved [24] the H -coinvariant Levi Theorem in the case when the Hopf algebra H has an ad-invariant left integral $t \in H^*$ such that $t(1) = 1$. As a consequence he obtained the H -invariant Levi Theorem for H -module Lie algebras for a finite dimensional semisimple Hopf algebra H , the graded Levi Theorem for an arbitrary grading group, and

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the G -invariant Levi Theorem for Lie algebras with a rational action of a reductive algebraic group G by automorphisms only.

In this paper we prove the G -invariant Wedderburn — Mal'cev and Levi theorems (Theorems 1 and 2 in Subsection 2.1) where G is a reductive affine algebraic group over an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0, acting rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Also we prove the \mathfrak{g} -invariant Wedderburn — Mal'cev and Levi theorems (Theorems 4 and 5 in Subsection 4.2) where \mathfrak{g} is a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra over a field of characteristic 0, acting by derivations.

One of the applications of invariant decompositions is in the combinatorial theory of graded, differential, G - or H -polynomial identities.

In the 1980's, a conjecture about the asymptotic behaviour of codimensions of ordinary polynomial identities was made by S.A. Amitsur. Amitsur's conjecture was proved in 1999 by A. Giambruno and M.V. Zaicev [19, Theorem 6.5.2] for associative algebras, in 2002 by M.V. Zaicev [42] for finite dimensional Lie algebras, and in 2011 by A. Giambruno, I.P. Shestakov, M.V. Zaicev for finite dimensional Jordan and alternative algebras [18]. In 2011, the first author proved its analog for polynomial identities of finite dimensional representations of Lie algebras [21].

Alongside with ordinary polynomial identities of algebras, graded, differential, G - and H -identities are important too [5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 14, 30, 31, 36]. Usually, to find such identities is easier than to find the ordinary ones. Furthermore, each of these types of identities completely determines the ordinary polynomial identities. Therefore the question arises whether the conjecture holds for graded codimensions, G -, H -codimensions, and codimensions of polynomial identities with derivations. The analog of Amitsur's conjecture for codimensions of graded identities was proved in 2010–2011 by E. Aljadeff, A. Giambruno, and D. La Matina [2, 3, 16] for all associative PI-algebras graded by a finite group. As a consequence, they proved the analog of the conjecture for G -codimensions for any associative PI-algebra with an action of a finite Abelian group G by automorphisms. The case when $G = \mathbb{Z}_2$ acts on a finite dimensional associative algebra by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms (i.e. polynomial identities with involution) was considered by A. Giambruno and M.V. Zaicev [19, Theorem 10.8.4] in 1999.

In 2012, the first author [23] proved the analog of Amitsur's conjecture for polynomial H -identities of finite dimensional associative algebras with a generalized H -action under some assumptions on the H -action. As a consequence, the analog of Amitsur's conjecture was proved for G -codimensions of finite dimensional associative algebras with an action of an arbitrary finite group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, and for H -codimensions of finite dimensional H -module associative algebras for a finite dimensional semisimple Hopf algebra H .

In 2012, the first author [25] proved the analog of Amitsur's conjecture for graded polynomial identities of finite dimensional Lie algebras graded by any group, for G -identities of finite dimensional Lie algebras with a rational action of a reductive affine algebraic group, and for H -identities of finite dimensional H -module Lie algebras under some assumptions on the H -action. (A particular case of this was proved in [22].)

This article is concerned with the analog of Amitsur's conjecture for codimensions of differential identities of finite dimensional Lie and associative algebras with an action of a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra by derivations (Section 3), G -codimensions of associative algebras with a rational action of a reductive affine algebraic group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms (Section 4), and graded codimensions of associative algebras graded by an arbitrary Abelian group (Section 5). Here we use an easy trick (see Theorem 6) in order to remove in [23, Theorem 5] the requirement for $\dim H$ to be finite.

In Section 6 we provide explicit formulas for the exponents of differential, graded, and G -identities that are natural generalizations of the formulas for the ordinary PI-exponents (see [19, Section 6.2] and [42, Definition 2]). It turns out that the differential PI-exponent of a finite dimensional associative algebra coincides with the ordinary one if the Lie algebra acting by derivations is finite dimensional semisimple. The same is true for the exponent of G -identities when G is a connected reductive affine algebraic group. In Section 8 we provide criteria for graded, G -, and H -simplicity; in the proof, we will use an upper bound for codimensions, which is established in Section 7.

2. STRUCTURE THEORY

2.1. Wedderburn — Mal'cev and Levi decompositions for G -algebras. We use the exponential notation for the action of a group. Let A be an algebra over a field F . Recall that $\psi \in \text{GL}(A)$ is an *automorphism* of A if $(ab)^\psi = a^\psi b^\psi$ for all $a, b \in A$ and *anti-automorphism* of A if $(ab)^\psi = b^\psi a^\psi$ for all $a, b \in A$. The automorphisms of A form a group, which is denoted by $\text{Aut}(A)$. The automorphisms and anti-automorphisms of A form a group, which is denoted by $\text{Aut}^*(A)$. Note that $\text{Aut}(A)$ is a normal subgroup of $\text{Aut}^*(A)$ of index ≤ 2 .

Let G be a group. We say that an associative algebra A is an *algebra with G -action* or a *G -algebra* if A is endowed with a homomorphism $\varphi: G \rightarrow \text{Aut}^*(A)$. Note that $G_0 := \varphi^{-1}(\text{Aut}(A))$ is a normal subgroup of G of index ≤ 2 .

We claim that the following theorem holds:

Theorem 1. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0 and let G be a reductive affine algebraic group over F . Suppose A is endowed with a rational action of G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then there exists a maximal semisimple subalgebra $B \subseteq A$ such that $A = B \oplus J$ (direct sum of G -invariant subspaces) where $J := J(A)$ is the Jacobson radical of A .*

Proof. First we prove the theorem for the case $J^2 = 0$.

If G is acting by automorphisms only, then the theorem follows from [38, Corollary 2.10]. Hence we may assume that the subgroup $G_0 \subset G$ is of index 2. Note that G_0 is closed since it is defined by polynomial equations.

Moreover, J is G -invariant since the maximal nilpotent ideal is invariant under all automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Let $\pi: A \rightarrow A/J$ be the corresponding natural projection. By [38, Corollary 2.10], there exists a G_0 -equivariant homomorphic embedding $\varphi: A/J \hookrightarrow A$ such that $\pi\varphi = \text{id}_{A/J}$.

Fix $g \in G \setminus G_0$. Define the map $\tilde{\varphi}: A/J \rightarrow A$ by $\tilde{\varphi}(a) = (\varphi(a) + g\varphi(g^{-1}a))/2$ for $a \in A/J$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\varphi}(ha) &= (\varphi(ha) + g\varphi(g^{-1}ha))/2 = (h\varphi(a) + g\varphi((g^{-1}hg)g^{-1}a))/2 = \\ &= (h\varphi(a) + g(g^{-1}hg)\varphi(g^{-1}a))/2 = h\tilde{\varphi}(a) \text{ for all } h \in G_0, a \in A/J \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\tilde{\varphi}(ga) = (\varphi(ga) + g\varphi(a))/2 = g(g^{-1}\varphi(ga) + \varphi(a))/2 = g\varphi(a) \text{ for all } a \in A/J.$$

Hence $\tilde{\varphi}$ is G -equivariant.

Let $a \in A/J$. Then $\pi\tilde{\varphi}(a) = (\pi\varphi(a) + g\pi\varphi(g^{-1}a))/2 = a$. We claim that $\tilde{\varphi}$ is a homomorphism of algebras.

First we observe that a linear map $\psi: A/J \rightarrow A$, such that $\pi\psi = \text{id}_{A/J}$, is a homomorphism of algebras if and only if $(\varphi - \psi): A/J \rightarrow J$ is a (φ, φ) -skew derivation, i.e. $(\varphi - \psi)(ab) = (\varphi - \psi)(a)\varphi(b) + \varphi(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b)$ for all $a, b \in A/J$. Indeed, if $\psi: A/J \rightarrow A$ is a homomorphism of algebras, then

$$(\varphi - \psi)(ab) = \varphi(a)\varphi(b) - \psi(a)\psi(b) = (\varphi - \psi)(a)\varphi(b) + \psi(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b) =$$

$(\varphi - \psi)(a)\varphi(b) + \psi(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b) + (\varphi - \psi)(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b) = (\varphi - \psi)(a)\varphi(b) + \varphi(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b)$ since $(\varphi - \psi)(a)(\varphi - \psi)(b) \in J^2 = 0$ for all $a, b \in A/J$. The converse is proved by a similar calculation.

Hence $a \mapsto (\varphi(a) - g\varphi(g^{-1}a))$, $a \in A/J$, is a (φ, φ) -skew derivation, and

$$a \mapsto \varphi(a) - (\varphi(a) - g\varphi(g^{-1}a))/2 = \tilde{\varphi}(a)$$

is a homomorphism of algebras. Therefore, we can take $B = \text{im } \tilde{\varphi}$, $A = \text{im } \tilde{\varphi} \oplus \ker \tilde{\varphi} = B \oplus J$, and the theorem is proved for the case $J^2 = 0$.

We prove the general case by induction on $\dim J$. Suppose $J^2 \neq 0$. Hence $\dim(J/J^2) < \dim J$ and, by induction, $A/J^2 = A_1/J^2 \oplus J/J^2$ where $A_1 \subseteq A$ is a G -invariant subalgebra such that $A_1/J^2 \cong A/J$ is semisimple. Since the Jacobson radical is nilpotent, $\dim J^2 < \dim J$ and, by induction, $A_1 = B \oplus J^2$ where $B \cong A/J$ is a G -invariant semisimple subalgebra. Now we notice that $A = B \oplus J$ (direct sum of G -invariant subspaces). \square

Analogously, we derive Theorem 2 from [24, Theorem 5].

Theorem 2. *Let L be a finite dimensional Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0 and let G be a reductive affine algebraic group over F . Suppose L is endowed with a rational action of G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then there exists a maximal semisimple subalgebra B in L such that $L = B \oplus R$ (direct sum of G -invariant subspaces).*

2.2. Connection between derivations and automorphisms. The main trick in our investigation of algebras with derivations is to replace the action of a Lie algebra by derivations with an action of an affine algebraic group by automorphisms, which in our situation has been studied better.

Theorem 3. *Let A be a finite dimensional algebra, not necessarily associative, over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is acting on A by derivations. Then there exists a rational representation of a simply connected semisimple affine algebraic group G on A by automorphisms such that*

- (1) *the Lie algebra of G equals \mathfrak{g} ;*
- (2) *the \mathfrak{g} -action on A is the differential of the G -action on A ;*
- (3) *all \mathfrak{g} -submodules in A are G -invariant subspaces and vice versa.*

Proof. By [27, Chapter XVIII, Theorem 5.1], there exists a simply connected affine algebraic group G such that the Lie algebra of G is isomorphic to \mathfrak{g} . The \mathfrak{g} -module A is the direct sum of irreducible \mathfrak{g} -submodules that correspond to some dominant weights of \mathfrak{g} . We define on the irreducible \mathfrak{g} -submodules the rational action of G corresponding to those weights.

We claim that G acts on A by automorphisms. Indeed, we can treat the multiplication $\mu: A \otimes A \rightarrow A$ as an element $\mu = \sum_i \mu_{1i} \otimes \mu_{2i} \otimes \mu_{3i} \in A^* \otimes A^* \otimes A$. We have the following action of G and \mathfrak{g} on the space $A^* \otimes A^* \otimes A$:

$$g(u(\cdot) \otimes v(\cdot) \otimes w) = u(g^{-1}(\cdot)) \otimes v(g^{-1}(\cdot)) \otimes (gw),$$

$$\delta(u(\cdot) \otimes v(\cdot) \otimes w) = u(\cdot) \otimes v(\cdot) \otimes \delta w - u(\delta(\cdot)) \otimes v(\cdot) \otimes w - u(\cdot) \otimes v(\delta(\cdot)) \otimes w$$

where $u, v \in A^*$, $w \in A$, $\delta \in \mathfrak{g}$, $g \in G$. Since $\delta(bc) = (\delta b)c + b(\delta c)$ for all $b, c \in A$, $\delta \in \mathfrak{g}$, we have $\sum_i \mu_{1i}(b)\mu_{2i}(c)(\delta\mu_{3i}) = \sum_i (\mu_{1i}(\delta b)\mu_{2i}(c)\mu_{3i} + \mu_{1i}(b)\mu_{2i}(\delta c)\mu_{3i})$. Hence $\delta\mu = 0$ for all $\delta \in \mathfrak{g}$, and $\mathfrak{g}\mu = 0$. By [28, Theorem 13.2], $G\mu = \mu$. Hence $g(bc) = (gb)(gc)$ and G acts on A by automorphisms. Using [28, Theorem 13.2] once again, we get that G and \mathfrak{g} have in A the same invariant subspaces. \square

2.3. Wedderburn — Mal'cev and Levi decompositions for algebras with derivations. Theorem 3 enables us to replace the action of a semisimple Lie algebra by derivations with an action of a semisimple affine algebraic group by automorphisms. Hence [38, Corollary 2.10] (or Theorem 1) implies

Theorem 4. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra and \mathfrak{g} be a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose \mathfrak{g} is acting on A by derivations. Then there exists a maximal semisimple subalgebra B in A such that $A = B \oplus J(A)$ (direct sum of \mathfrak{g} -submodules).*

Analogously, [24, Theorem 5] (or Theorem 2) implies

Theorem 5. *Let L and \mathfrak{g} be finite dimensional Lie algebras over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose \mathfrak{g} is semisimple and acting on L by derivations. Then there exists a maximal semisimple subalgebra B in L such that $L = B \oplus R$ (direct sum of \mathfrak{g} -submodules) where R is the solvable radical of L .*

3. POLYNOMIAL H -IDENTITIES, IDENTITIES WITH DERIVATIONS, AND THEIR CODIMENSIONS

We introduce polynomial identities with derivations as a particular case of polynomial H -identities.

An algebra A over a field F is an H -module algebra or an algebra with an H -action, if A is endowed with a homomorphism $H \rightarrow \text{End}_F(A)$ such that $h(ab) = (h_{(1)}a)(h_{(2)}b)$ for all $h \in H$, $a, b \in A$. Here we use Sweedler's notation $\Delta h = h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)}$ where Δ is the comultiplication in H . We refer the reader to [13, 34, 39] for an account of Hopf algebras and algebras with Hopf algebra actions.

3.1. Polynomial H -identities of H -module Lie algebras. Let $F\{X\}$ be the absolutely free nonassociative algebra on the set $X := \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$. Then $F\{X\} = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} F\{X\}^{(n)}$ where $F\{X\}^{(n)}$ is the linear span of all monomials of total degree n . Let H be a Hopf algebra over a field F . Consider the algebra

$$F\{X|H\} := \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H^{\otimes n} \otimes F\{X\}^{(n)}$$

with the multiplication $(u_1 \otimes w_1)(u_2 \otimes w_2) := (u_1 \otimes u_2) \otimes w_1 w_2$ for all $u_1 \in H^{\otimes j}$, $u_2 \in H^{\otimes k}$, $w_1 \in F\{X\}^{(j)}$, $w_2 \in F\{X\}^{(k)}$. We use the notation

$$x_{i_1}^{h_1} x_{i_2}^{h_2} \dots x_{i_n}^{h_n} := (h_1 \otimes h_2 \otimes \dots \otimes h_n) \otimes x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n}$$

(the arrangements of brackets on x_{i_j} and on $x_{i_j}^{h_j}$ are the same). Here $h_1 \otimes h_2 \otimes \dots \otimes h_n \in H^{\otimes n}$, $x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n} \in F\{X\}^{(n)}$.

Note that if $(\gamma_\beta)_{\beta \in \Lambda}$ is a basis in H , then $F\{X|H\}$ is isomorphic to the absolutely free nonassociative algebra over F with free formal generators $x_i^{\gamma_\beta}$, $\beta \in \Lambda$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$.

Define on $F\{X|H\}$ the structure of a left H -module by

$$h(x_{i_1}^{h_1} x_{i_2}^{h_2} \dots x_{i_n}^{h_n}) = x_{i_1}^{h_{(1)}h_1} x_{i_2}^{h_{(2)}h_2} \dots x_{i_n}^{h_{(n)}h_n},$$

where $h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)} \otimes \dots \otimes h_{(n)}$ is the image of h under the comultiplication Δ applied $(n-1)$ times, $h \in H$. Then $F\{X|H\}$ is the absolutely free H -module nonassociative algebra on X , i.e. for each map $\psi: X \rightarrow A$ where A is an H -module algebra, there exists a unique homomorphism $\bar{\psi}: F\{X|H\} \rightarrow A$ of algebras and H -modules, such that $\bar{\psi}|_X = \psi$. Here we identify X with the set $\{x_j^1 \mid j \in \mathbb{N}\} \subset F\{X|H\}$.

Consider the H -invariant ideal I in $F\{X|H\}$ generated by the set

$$\{u(vw) + v(wu) + w(uv) \mid u, v, w \in F\{X|H\}\} \cup \{u^2 \mid u \in F\{X|H\}\}. \quad (1)$$

Then $L(X|H) := F\{X|H\}/I$ is the free H -module Lie algebra on X , i.e. for any H -module Lie algebra L and a map $\psi: X \rightarrow L$, there exists a unique homomorphism $\bar{\psi}: L(X|H) \rightarrow L$ of algebras and H -modules such that $\bar{\psi}|_X = \psi$. We refer to the elements of $L(X|H)$ as *Lie H -polynomials*.

Remark. If H is cocommutative and $\text{char } F \neq 2$, then $L(X|H)$ is the ordinary free Lie algebra with free generators $x_i^{\gamma_\beta}$, $\beta \in \Lambda$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$ where $(\gamma_\beta)_{\beta \in \Lambda}$ is a basis in H , since the ordinary ideal of $F\{X|H\}$ generated by (1) is already H -invariant. However, if $h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)} \neq h_{(2)} \otimes h_{(1)}$ for some $h \in H$, we still have

$$[x_i^{h_{(1)}}, x_j^{h_{(2)}}] = h[x_i, x_j] = -h[x_j, x_i] = -[x_j^{h_{(1)}}, x_i^{h_{(2)}}] = [x_i^{h_{(2)}}, x_j^{h_{(1)}}]$$

in $L(X|H)$ for all $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e. in the case $h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)} \neq h_{(2)} \otimes h_{(1)}$ the algebra $L(X|H)$ is not free as an ordinary Lie algebra.

Let L be an H -module Lie algebra for some Hopf algebra H over a field F . An H -polynomial $f \in L(X|H)$ is a H -identity of L if $\psi(f) = 0$ for all homomorphisms $\psi: L(X|H) \rightarrow L$ of algebras and H -modules. In other words, $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is a polynomial H -identity of L if and only if $f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = 0$ for any $a_i \in L$. In this case we write $f \equiv 0$. The set $\text{Id}^H(L)$ of all polynomial H -identities of L is an H -invariant ideal of $L(X|H)$.

Denote by V_n^H the space of all multilinear Lie H -polynomials in x_1, \dots, x_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e.

$$V_n^H = \langle [x_{\sigma(1)}^{h_1}, x_{\sigma(2)}^{h_2}, \dots, x_{\sigma(n)}^{h_n}] \mid h_i \in H, \sigma \in S_n \rangle_F \subset L(X|H).$$

Then the number $c_n^H(L) := \dim \left(\frac{V_n^H}{V_n^H \cap \text{Id}^H(L)} \right)$ is called the n th *codimension of polynomial H -identities* or the n th *H -codimension* of L .

3.2. Polynomial H -identities of associative algebras with a generalized H -action.

In the case of associative algebras we need a more general definition. Let H be an arbitrary associative algebra with 1 over a field F . We say that an associative algebra A is an algebra with a *generalized H -action* if A is endowed with a homomorphism $H \rightarrow \text{End}_F(A)$ and for every $h \in H$ there exist $h'_i, h''_i, h'''_i, h''''_i \in H$ such that

$$h(ab) = \sum_i ((h'_i a)(h''_i b) + (h'''_i b)(h''''_i a)) \text{ for all } a, b \in A.$$

Let $F\langle X \rangle$ be the free associative algebra without 1 on the set $X := \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$. Then $F\langle X \rangle = \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} F\langle X \rangle^{(n)}$ where $F\langle X \rangle^{(n)}$ is the linear span of all monomials of total degree n . Let H be an arbitrary associative algebra with 1 over F . Consider the algebra

$$F\langle X|H \rangle := \bigoplus_{n=1}^{\infty} H^{\otimes n} \otimes F\langle X \rangle^{(n)}$$

with the multiplication $(u_1 \otimes w_1)(u_2 \otimes w_2) := (u_1 \otimes u_2) \otimes w_1 w_2$ for all $u_1 \in H^{\otimes j}$, $u_2 \in H^{\otimes k}$, $w_1 \in F\langle X \rangle^{(j)}$, $w_2 \in F\langle X \rangle^{(k)}$. We use the notation

$$x_{i_1}^{h_1} x_{i_2}^{h_2} \dots x_{i_n}^{h_n} := (h_1 \otimes h_2 \otimes \dots \otimes h_n) \otimes x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n}.$$

Here $h_1 \otimes h_2 \otimes \dots \otimes h_n \in H^{\otimes n}$, $x_{i_1} x_{i_2} \dots x_{i_n} \in F\langle X \rangle^{(n)}$.

Note that if $(\gamma_\beta)_{\beta \in \Lambda}$ is a basis in H , then $F\langle X|H \rangle$ is isomorphic to the free associative algebra over F with free formal generators $x_i^{\gamma_\beta}$, $\beta \in \Lambda$, $i \in \mathbb{N}$. We refer to the elements of $F\langle X|H \rangle$ as *associative H -polynomials*. Note that here we do not consider any H -action on $F\langle X|H \rangle$.

Let A be an associative algebra with a generalized H -action. Any map $\psi: X \rightarrow A$ has a unique homomorphic extension $\bar{\psi}: F\langle X|H \rangle \rightarrow A$ such that $\bar{\psi}(x_i^h) = h\psi(x_i)$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $h \in H$. An H -polynomial $f \in F\langle X|H \rangle$ is an H -identity of A if $\bar{\psi}(f) = 0$ for all maps $\psi: X \rightarrow A$. In other words, $f(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n)$ is an H -identity of A if and only if $f(a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n) = 0$ for any $a_i \in A$. In this case we write $f \equiv 0$. The set $\text{Id}^H(A)$ of all H -identities of A is an ideal of $F\langle X|H \rangle$.

We denote by P_n^H the space of all multilinear H -polynomials in x_1, \dots, x_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e.

$$P_n^H = \langle x_{\sigma(1)}^{h_1} x_{\sigma(2)}^{h_2} \dots x_{\sigma(n)}^{h_n} \mid h_i \in H, \sigma \in S_n \rangle_F \subset F\langle X|H \rangle.$$

Then the number $c_n^H(A) := \dim \left(\frac{P_n^H}{P_n^H \cap \text{Id}^H(A)} \right)$ is called the n th *codimension of polynomial H -identities* or the n th *H -codimension* of A .

Remark. One can treat polynomial H -identities of Lie and associative algebras as identities of nonassociative algebras (i.e. use $F\{X|H\}$ instead of $F\langle X|H \rangle$ and $L(X|H)$) and define their codimensions. However these codimensions will coincide since the n th H -codimension of A equals the dimension of the subspace in $\text{Hom}_F(A^{\otimes n}; A)$ that consists of those n -linear functions that can be represented by H -polynomials.

Theorem 6. *Let A be a finite dimensional non-nilpotent associative algebra with a generalized H -action over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Here H is an associative algebra with 1, not necessarily finite dimensional, acting on A in such a way that the Jacobson radical $J := J(A)$ is H -invariant and $A = B \oplus J$ (direct sum of H -submodules) where $B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of H -invariant ideals), B_i are H -simple semisimple algebras. Then there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that*

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^H(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Here

$$d := \max(\dim(B_{i_1} \oplus B_{i_2} \oplus \dots \oplus B_{i_r}) \mid B_{i_1} J B_{i_2} J \dots J B_{i_r} \neq 0, \\ 1 \leq i_k \leq q, 1 \leq k \leq r; 0 \leq r \leq q). \quad (2)$$

Proof. This theorem was proved in [23, Theorem 5] under the hypothesis $\dim H < +\infty$. We now show how to remove this restriction.

Denote by $\zeta: H \rightarrow \text{End}_F(A)$ the homomorphism corresponding to the H -action. Then A is an algebra with a generalized $\zeta(H)$ -action, and B_i are $\zeta(H)$ -simple.

We claim that $c_n^H(A) = c_n^{\zeta(H)}(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let $\psi: F\langle X|H \rangle \rightarrow F\langle X|\zeta(H) \rangle$ be the homomorphism defined by $\psi(x^h) = x^{\zeta(h)}$, $h \in H$. Note that $\psi(P_n^H) = P_n^{\zeta(H)}$. Moreover $\psi(\text{Id}^H(A)) = \text{Id}^{\zeta(H)}(A)$ since every $h \in H$ acts on A by the operator $\zeta(h)$. Hence

$$F\langle X|H \rangle / \text{Id}^H(A) \cong F\langle X|\zeta(H) \rangle / \text{Id}^{\zeta(H)}(A)$$

and $c_n^H(A) = c_n^{\zeta(H)}(A)$.

We notice that $\dim \zeta(H) < +\infty$ and apply [23, Theorem 5] to $\zeta(H)$ -codimensions. \square

3.3. Differential identities. Here we are interested in the following particular case. Suppose a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} is acting on a Lie or associative algebra A by derivations. Then A is an $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -module algebra where $U(\mathfrak{g})$ is the universal enveloping algebra of \mathfrak{g} , which is a Hopf algebra: the comultiplication Δ is defined by $\Delta(a) = 1 \otimes a + a \otimes 1$, the counit ε is defined by $\varepsilon(a) = 0$, and the antipode S is defined by $Sa = -a$ for all $a \in \mathfrak{g}$. The elements of $\text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)$ are called *polynomial identities with derivations* or *differential identities* of A and $c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)$ are called *differential codimensions*.

Example 1. Consider the adjoint representation of $\mathfrak{gl}_2(F)$ on $M_2(F)$ and $\mathfrak{sl}_2(F)$. Denote by e_{ij} the matrix units. Then

$$x^{e_{11}} + x^{e_{22}} \in \text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{gl}_2(F))}(M_2(F)), \text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{gl}_2(F))}(\mathfrak{sl}_2(F))$$

since $a^{e_{11}} + a^{e_{22}} = [e_{11}, a] + [e_{22}, a] = [e_{11} + e_{22}, a] = 0$ for all $a \in M_2(F)$.

The analog of Amitsur's conjecture for codimensions of polynomial identities with derivations can be formulated as follows.

Conjecture. *Let A be a Lie or associative algebra with an action of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} by derivations. Then there exists $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)} \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.*

Remark. I.B. Volichenko [41] gave an example of an infinite dimensional Lie algebra L with a nontrivial polynomial identity for which the growth of codimensions $c_n(L)$ of ordinary polynomial identities is overexponential. M.V. Zaicev and S.P. Mishchenko [33, 43] gave an example of an infinite dimensional Lie algebra L with a nontrivial polynomial identity such that there exists fractional $\text{PIexp}(L) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{c_n(L)}$.

We claim that the following theorems hold:

Theorem 7. *Let A be a finite dimensional non-nilpotent Lie or associative algebra over an field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} acts on A by derivations. Then there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Remark. If A is nilpotent, i.e. $x_1 \dots x_p \equiv 0$ for some $p \in \mathbb{N}$, then $P_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})} \subseteq \text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)$ and $c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = 0$ for all $n \geq p$.

Corollary. *The above analog of Amitsur's conjecture holds for such codimensions.*

Theorem 8. *Let $A = A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_s$ (direct sum of ideals) be a finite dimensional Lie or associative algebra over a field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} acts on A by derivations in such a way that A_i are invariant. Then $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A_i)$.*

Theorems 7 and 8 will be proved in Subsection 4.2.

4. POLYNOMIAL G -IDENTITIES AND THEIR CODIMENSIONS

4.1. Definitions and theorems. Let G be a group with a fixed (normal) subgroup G_0 of index ≤ 2 . Denote by $F\langle X|G \rangle$ the free associative algebra over F with free formal generators x_j^g , $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $g \in G$. Here $X := \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$, $x_j := x_j^1$. Define

$$(x_{i_1}^{g_1} x_{i_2}^{g_2} \dots x_{i_{n-1}}^{g_{n-1}} x_{i_n}^{g_n})^h := x_{i_1}^{hg_1} x_{i_2}^{hg_2} \dots x_{i_{n-1}}^{hg_{n-1}} x_{i_n}^{hg_n} \text{ for } h \in G_0,$$

$$(x_{i_1}^{g_1} x_{i_2}^{g_2} \dots x_{i_{n-1}}^{g_{n-1}} x_{i_n}^{g_n})^h := x_{i_n}^{hg_n} x_{i_{n-1}}^{hg_{n-1}} \dots x_{i_2}^{hg_2} x_{i_1}^{hg_1} \text{ for } h \in G \setminus G_0.$$

Then $F\langle X|G \rangle$ becomes the free G -algebra with free generators x_j , $j \in \mathbb{N}$. We call its elements G -polynomials. Let A be an associative G -algebra over F such that $G_0 \subseteq G$ is acting on A by automorphisms and the elements of $G \setminus G_0$ are acting on A by anti-automorphisms. A G -polynomial $f(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in F\langle X|G \rangle$ is a G -identity of A if $f(a_1, \dots, a_n) = 0$ for all $a_i \in A$. In this case we write $f \equiv 0$. The set $\text{Id}^G(A)$ of all G -identities of A is an ideal in $F\langle X|G \rangle$ invariant under G -action.

Example 2. Let $M_2(F)$ be the algebra of 2×2 matrices. Consider $\psi \in \text{Aut}(M_2(F))$ defined by the formula

$$\begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}^\psi := \begin{pmatrix} a & -b \\ -c & d \end{pmatrix}.$$

Then $[x + x^\psi, y + y^\psi] \in \text{Id}^G(M_2(F))$ where $G = \langle \psi \rangle \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$. Here $[x, y] := xy - yx$.

Denote by P_n^G the space of all multilinear G -polynomials in x_1, \dots, x_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e.

$$P_n^G = \langle x_{\sigma(1)}^{g_1} x_{\sigma(2)}^{g_2} \dots x_{\sigma(n)}^{g_n} \mid g_i \in G, \sigma \in S_n \rangle_F \subset F\langle X \mid G \rangle$$

where S_n is the n th symmetric group. Then the number $c_n^G(A) := \dim \left(\frac{P_n^G}{P_n^G \cap \text{Id}^G(A)} \right)$ is called the n th *codimension of polynomial G -identities* or the n th *G -codimension* of A .

If L is a Lie algebra with G -action, we define polynomial G -identities and their codimensions analogously, replacing in our definition the free associative algebra by the free Lie one.

If G is trivial, we get ordinary polynomial identities and their codimensions. Note also that if A is a G -algebra, then A is an algebra with a generalized FG -action and $c_n^{FG}(A) = c_n^G(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

The analog of Amitsur's conjecture for G -codimensions can be formulated as follows.

Conjecture. *There exists $\text{Plexp}^G(A) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{c_n^G(A)} \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.*

In the Lie case, we have the following two results:

Theorem 9 ([25, Theorem 3]). *Let L be a finite dimensional non-nilpotent Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a reductive affine algebraic group G acts on L rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^G(L) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Theorem 10 ([25, Theorem 5]). *Let $L = L_1 \oplus \dots \oplus L_s$ (direct sum of ideals) be a finite dimensional Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a reductive affine algebraic group G acts on L rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms and the ideals L_i are G -invariant. Then $\text{Plexp}^G(L) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \text{Plexp}^G(L_i)$.*

In particular, for reductive G , the analog of Amitsur's conjecture holds for G -codimensions of finite dimensional Lie algebras. In this subsection we will derive similar results for associative algebras:

Theorem 11. *Let A be a finite dimensional non-nilpotent associative algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a reductive affine algebraic group G acts on A rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^G(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Corollary. *The above analog of Amitsur's conjecture holds for such codimensions.*

Theorem 12. *Let $A = A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_s$ (direct sum of ideals) be a finite dimensional associative algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a reductive affine algebraic group G acts on A rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, and the ideals A_i are G -invariant. Then $\text{Plexp}^G(A) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \text{Plexp}^G(A_i)$.*

We need the following result, which is similar to [25, Theorem 6] in the Lie case.

Lemma 1. *Let A be a finite dimensional semisimple associative H -module algebra where H is a Hopf algebra over an arbitrary field F such that the antipode S is bijective. Then $A = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of H -invariant ideals) where B_i are H -simple algebras.*

Proof. By Wedderburn's theorem, $A = A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_s$ (direct sum of ideals) where A_i are simple algebras not necessarily H -invariant. Let B_1 be a minimal H -invariant ideal of A . Then $B_1 = A_{i_1} \oplus \dots \oplus A_{i_k}$ for some $i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k \in \{1, 2, \dots, s\}$. Consider $\tilde{B}_1 = \{a \in A \mid ab = ba = 0 \text{ for all } b \in B_1\}$. Then \tilde{B}_1 equals the sum of all A_j , $j \notin \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k\}$, and $A = B_1 \oplus \tilde{B}_1$. We claim that \tilde{B}_1 is H -invariant. Indeed, let $a \in \tilde{B}_1$, $b \in B_1$. Denote by ε the counit of H and by $\Delta(h) = h_{(1)} \otimes h_{(2)}$ its comultiplication. Then

$$(ha)b = (h_{(1)}a)(\varepsilon(h_{(2)})b) = (h_{(1)}a)(h_{(2)}(Sh_{(3)})b) = h_{(1)}(a(Sh_{(2)})b) = 0$$

since B_1 is H -invariant. Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} b(ha) &= (S^{-1}(\varepsilon(h_{(1)})1)b)(h_{(2)}a) = (S^{-1}(h_{(1)}Sh_{(2)})b)(h_{(3)}a) = \\ &= (h_{(2)}(S^{-1}h_{(1)})b)(h_{(3)}a) = h_{(2)}(((S^{-1}h_{(1)})b)a) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Hence \tilde{B}_1 is H -invariant and the inductive argument finishes the proof. \square

Lemma 2. *Let A be a finite dimensional semisimple associative algebra over an arbitrary field F , with an action of a group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then $A = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of G -invariant ideals) where B_i are G -simple algebras.*

Proof. Again, suppose that $G_0 \subseteq G$ is acting on A by automorphisms and the elements of $G \setminus G_0$ are acting by anti-automorphisms.

If $G = G_0$, the lemma is a consequence of Lemma 1, since the antipode S of the Hopf algebra FG is bijective: $Sg = g^{-1}$, $g \in G$.

Suppose $G \neq G_0$. Then by Lemma 1, $B = \tilde{B}_1 \oplus \dots \oplus \tilde{B}_k$ (direct sum of G_0 -invariant ideals) where \tilde{B}_i are G_0 -simple algebras. Standard arguments (see e.g. [29, Chapter III, Section 5, Theorem 4]) show that every G_0 -simple ideal of B coincides with one of \tilde{B}_i . Let $g \in G \setminus G_0$. Then $(\tilde{B}_i + g\tilde{B}_i)$ is a G -simple ideal for every $1 \leq i \leq k$ and $A = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of G -invariant ideals) where each $B_j = \tilde{B}_i + g\tilde{B}_i$ for some i . \square

Proof of Theorems 11 and 12. Note that, by Theorem 1, $A = B \oplus J(A)$ (direct sum of G -invariant subspaces) where B is a G -invariant maximal semisimple subalgebra. Hence Lemma 2 implies $B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of G -invariant spaces) where B_i are G -simple algebras. Now Theorem 11 follows from Theorem 6.

Theorem 12 is an immediate consequence of (2). \square

4.2. Applications to differential identities. Let C be a vector space and let C^* be its dual. We say that a subspace $A \subseteq C^*$ is *dense* in C^* if $A^\perp = 0$ where $A^\perp := \{c \in C \mid \varphi(c) = 0 \text{ for all } \varphi \in A\}$. An equivalent condition for A is to separate points of C .

Lemma 3. *Let V be a finite dimensional right comodule over a coalgebra C over a field F . Denote by $\zeta: C^* \rightarrow \text{End}_F(V)$ the homomorphism corresponding to the left C^* -module structure on V where C^* is the algebra dual to C . Suppose A is a dense subalgebra of C^* . Then $\zeta(A) = \zeta(C^*)$.*

Proof. Let $(v_i)_{1 \leq i \leq \dim V}$ be a basis of V . Denote by $\rho: V \rightarrow V \otimes C$ the comodule map of V . Let $\rho(v_i) = \sum_{j=1}^{\dim V} v_j \otimes c_{ji}$ where $c_{ij} \in C$, $1 \leq i, j \leq \dim V$. Denote

$$D = \langle c_{ij} \mid 1 \leq i, j \leq \dim V \rangle_F.$$

Let $\pi: C^* \rightarrow D^*$ be the natural projection. We claim that $\pi(A) = D^*$. Indeed, if $\pi(A) \neq D^*$, then there exists $c \in D$, $c \neq 0$, $\varphi(c) = 0$ for all $\varphi \in A$. We get a contradiction with $A^\perp = 0$. Suppose $\varphi \in C^*$. Choose $\tilde{\varphi} \in A$ such that $\pi(\varphi) = \pi(\tilde{\varphi})$. Then

$$\zeta(\varphi)v = \varphi(v_{(1)})v_{(0)} = \pi(\varphi)(v_{(1)})v_{(0)} = \pi(\tilde{\varphi})(v_{(1)})v_{(0)} = \zeta(\tilde{\varphi})v$$

for every $v \in V$. Hence $\zeta(A) = \zeta(C^*)$. \square

Note that [34, Propositions 9.2.10, 9.2.5, and Example 9.2.8] imply

Lemma 4. *Let G be a connected affine algebraic group over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0 and let \mathfrak{g} be its Lie algebra. Then $U(\mathfrak{g})$ is dense in $\mathcal{O}(G)^*$.*

Using Lemma 4, we get

Lemma 5. *Let G be a connected affine algebraic group over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0 and let \mathfrak{g} be its Lie algebra. Suppose G is acting by automorphisms on a finite dimensional algebra A . Then $c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = c_n^G(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Proof. First, we notice that A is an $\mathcal{O}(G)$ -comodule algebra. The actions of the algebras FG and $U(\mathfrak{g})$ on A can be induced from the $\mathcal{O}(G)$ -comodule structure and the natural maps from FG and $U(\mathfrak{g})$ to $\mathcal{O}(G)^*$. Obviously, the image of FG is dense in $\mathcal{O}(G)^*$. By Lemma 4, the image of $U(\mathfrak{g})$ is dense in $\mathcal{O}(G)^*$. Hence, by Lemma 3, FG and $U(\mathfrak{g})$ are acting on A by the same operators. To be exact in notation, assume that A is associative. (If A is a Lie algebra, we use the spaces V_n instead of P_n .) We can treat $\frac{P_n^G}{P_n^G \cap \text{Id}^G(A)}$ and $\frac{P_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}}{P_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})} \cap \text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, as the spaces of n -linear functions on A that can be presented, respectively, by G - and $U(\mathfrak{g})$ -polynomials. Since the functions are the same, we get

$$c_n^G(A) = \dim \frac{P_n^G}{P_n^G \cap \text{Id}^G(A)} = \dim \frac{P_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}}{P_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})} \cap \text{Id}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)} = c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A).$$

□

Proof of Theorems 7 and 8. H -codimensions do not change upon an extension of the base field. The proof is analogous to the cases of ordinary codimensions of associative [19, Theorem 4.1.9] and Lie algebras [42, Section 2]. Thus without loss of generality we may assume F to be algebraically closed.

Using Theorem 3, we replace the \mathfrak{g} -action by G -action where G is a simply connected semisimple affine algebraic group. By Lemma 5, $c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = c_n^G(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, and Theorems 7 and 8 are consequences of Theorems 9, 10, 11, and 12. □

5. GRADED POLYNOMIAL IDENTITIES AND THEIR CODIMENSIONS

Let G be a group and F be a field. Denote by $F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$ the free G -graded associative algebra over F on the countable set

$$X^{\text{gr}} := \bigcup_{g \in G} X^{(g)},$$

$X^{(g)} = \{x_1^{(g)}, x_2^{(g)}, \dots\}$, i.e. the algebra of polynomials in non-commuting variables from X^{gr} . The indeterminates from $X^{(g)}$ are said to be homogeneous of degree g . The G -degree of a monomial $x_{i_1}^{(g_1)} \dots x_{i_t}^{(g_t)} \in F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$ is defined to be $g_1 g_2 \dots g_t$, as opposed to its total degree, which is defined to be t . Denote by $F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle^{(g)}$ the subspace of the algebra $F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$ spanned by all the monomials having G -degree g . Notice that

$$F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle^{(g)} F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle^{(h)} \subseteq F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle^{(gh)},$$

for every $g, h \in G$. It follows that

$$F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle = \bigoplus_{g \in G} F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle^{(g)}$$

is a G -grading. Let $f = f(x_{i_1}^{(g_1)}, \dots, x_{i_t}^{(g_t)}) \in F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$. We say that f is a *graded polynomial identity* of a G -graded algebra $A = \bigoplus_{g \in G} A^{(g)}$ and write $f \equiv 0$ if $f(a_{i_1}^{(g_1)}, \dots, a_{i_t}^{(g_t)}) = 0$ for

all $a_{i_j}^{(g_j)} \in A^{(g_j)}$, $1 \leq j \leq t$. The set $\text{Id}^{\text{gr}}(A)$ of graded polynomial identities of A is a graded ideal of $F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$.

Example 3. Let $G = \mathbb{Z}_2 = \{\bar{0}, \bar{1}\}$, $M_2(F) = M_2(F)^{(\bar{0})} \oplus M_2(F)^{(\bar{1})}$ where $M_2(F)^{(\bar{0})} = \begin{pmatrix} F & 0 \\ 0 & F \end{pmatrix}$ and $M_2(F)^{(\bar{1})} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & F \\ F & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. Then $x^{(\bar{0})}y^{(\bar{0})} - y^{(\bar{0})}x^{(\bar{0})} \in \text{Id}^{\text{gr}}(M_2(F))$.

Let $P_n^{\text{gr}} := \langle x_{\sigma(1)}^{(g_1)} x_{\sigma(2)}^{(g_2)} \dots x_{\sigma(n)}^{(g_n)} \mid g_i \in G, \sigma \in S_n \rangle_F \subset F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then the number

$$c_n^{\text{gr}}(A) := \dim \left(\frac{P_n^{\text{gr}}}{P_n^{\text{gr}} \cap \text{Id}^{\text{gr}}(A)} \right)$$

is called the n th *codimension of graded polynomial identities* or the n th *graded codimension* of A .

Remark. Let $\tilde{G} \supseteq G$ be another group. Denote by $F\langle X^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \rangle$, $\text{Id}^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}(A)$, $P_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}$, $c_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}(A)$ the objects corresponding to the \tilde{G} -grading. Let I be the ideal of $F\langle X^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \rangle$ generated by $x_j^{(g)}$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$, $g \notin G$. We can identify $F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle$ with the corresponding subalgebra in $F\langle X^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \rangle$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F\langle X^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \rangle &= F\langle X^{\text{gr}} \rangle \oplus I, & \text{Id}^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}(A) &= \text{Id}^{\text{gr}}(A) \oplus I, & P_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} &= P_n^{\text{gr}} \oplus (P_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \cap I), \\ P_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \cap \text{Id}^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}(A) &= (P_n^{\text{gr}} \cap \text{Id}^{\text{gr}}(A)) \oplus (P_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}} \cap I) & & \text{(direct sums of subspaces).} \end{aligned}$$

Hence $c_n^{\tilde{\text{gr}}}(A) = c_n^{\text{gr}}(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. In particular, we can always replace the grading group with the subgroup generated by the elements corresponding to the nonzero components.

The analog of Amitsur's conjecture for graded codimensions can be formulated as follows.

Conjecture. *There exists $\text{Plexp}^{\text{gr}}(A) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt[n]{c_n^{\text{gr}}(A)} \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.*

In 2011, E. Aljadeff and A. Giambruno [2] proved the analog Amitsur's conjecture for graded codimensions of all associative (not necessarily finite dimensional) PI-algebras provided that G is finite. (When the algebra is finite dimensional, this result can be easily derived from the corresponding result on H -codimensions, see [23, Sections 1.3–1.4].) However, for finite dimensional A and Abelian G , we do not need G to be finite.

Theorem 13. *Let A be a finite dimensional non-nilpotent associative algebra over a field F of characteristic 0, graded by an Abelian group G not necessarily finite. Then there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$, $d \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^{\text{gr}}(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Corollary. *The above analog of Amitsur's conjecture holds for such codimensions.*

Theorem 14. *Let $A = A_1 \oplus \dots \oplus A_s$ (direct sum of graded ideals) be a finite dimensional associative algebra over a field F of characteristic 0 graded by an Abelian group G . Then $\text{Plexp}^{\text{gr}}(A) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq s} \text{Plexp}^{\text{gr}}(A_i)$.*

To prove these theorems, we need the following well known facts. Let G be an Abelian group. Denote by $\hat{G} = \text{Hom}(G, F^\times)$ the group of homomorphisms from G into the multiplicative group F^\times of the field F . Then each G -graded space $V = \bigoplus_{g \in G} V^{(g)}$ becomes an $F\hat{G}$ -module: $\chi v^{(g)} = \chi(g) v^{(g)}$ for all $\chi \in \hat{G}$ and $v^{(g)} \in V^{(g)}$. Moreover, if G is finitely generated, F is algebraically closed of characteristic 0, and V is finite dimensional, then every \hat{G} -invariant subspace in V is G -graded.

The following lemma is completely analogous to [25, Lemma 24]:

Lemma 6. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0, graded by a finitely generated Abelian group G . Consider the \hat{G} -action on A defined above. Then $c_n^{\text{gr}}(A) = c_n^{\hat{G}}(A)$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.*

Proof of Theorems 13 and 14. Graded codimensions do not change upon an extension of the base field. The proof is analogous to the case of ordinary codimensions [19, Theorem 4.1.9]. Thus without loss of generality we may assume F to be algebraically closed.

Since the set $\{g \in G \mid A^{(g)} \neq 0\}$ is finite, we may assume the grading group G to be finitely generated. Hence A is an FG -comodule algebra where FG is a finitely generated commutative algebra that does not contain nonzero nilpotent elements. Therefore, A is a rational representation of the reductive affine algebraic group $\hat{G} = \text{Hom}(FG, F)$ where $\text{Hom}(FG, F)$ is the set of unitary algebra homomorphisms $FG \rightarrow F$. By Lemma 6, $c_n^{\text{gr}}(A) = c_n^{\hat{G}}(A)$. Now we use Theorems 11 and 12. \square

6. FORMULAS FOR PI-EXPONENTS

6.1. Associative algebras. Let F be an algebraically closed field of characteristic 0. Replacing in (2) the H -invariant subalgebra and H -simple ideals by, respectively, a graded subalgebra and graded simple ideals, we obtain the formula for $\text{Plexp}^{\text{gr}}(A)$ under the assumptions of Theorem 13. Replacing the H -invariant subalgebra and H -simple ideals by, respectively, a G -invariant subalgebra and G -simple ideals, we obtain the formula for $\text{Plexp}^G(A)$ under the assumptions of Theorem 11. Analogously, we obtain the formula for $\text{Plexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A)$ under the assumptions of Theorem 7. We claim that $\text{Plexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = \text{Plexp}(A)$ and $\text{Plexp}^G(A) = \text{Plexp}(A)$ if G is a connected group.

Lemma 7. *Let $B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of ideals) be an algebra not necessarily associative over a field F where B_i are simple algebras. Suppose δ is a derivation of B . Then all B_i are invariant under δ .*

Proof. Let $1 \leq i \leq q$ and $a \in B_i$. Then $\delta(a) = \sum_{j=1}^q b_j$ where $b_j \in B_j$, $1 \leq j \leq q$. For all $b \in B_j$, $j \neq i$, we have

$$0 = \delta(ab) = \delta(a)b + a\delta(b) = b_jb + a\delta(b).$$

Hence $b_jb = -a\delta(b) \in B_i$ and $b_jb = 0$. Analogously, $bb_j = 0$ for all $b \in B_j$. Since B_j is simple, we get $b_j = 0$ for all $j \neq i$ and $\delta(a) \in B_i$. \square

Lemma 8. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative or Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic 0 and let \mathfrak{g} be a Lie algebra acting on A by derivations. Suppose A and $\{0\}$ are the only \mathfrak{g} -invariant ideals in A . Then either A is semisimple or $A^2 = 0$.*

Proof. Suppose A is associative. By [12, Lemma 3.2.2], the Jacobson radical (which coincides with the prime radical) of a finite dimensional associative algebra is invariant under all derivations. Hence either $J(A) = 0$ and the lemma is proved or $A = J(A)$ is a nilpotent algebra. In the last case $A^2 \neq A$ is a \mathfrak{g} -invariant ideal. Hence $A^2 = 0$.

Suppose A is a Lie algebra. Recall that by [29, Chapter III, Section 6, Theorem 7] the solvable radical R of A is invariant under all derivations. Hence either $R = 0$ and A is semisimple or A is solvable. In the last case $[A, A] \neq A$ is invariant under all derivations. Hence $[A, A] = 0$. \square

Lemma 9. *If B is a \mathfrak{g} -simple finite dimensional associative or Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic 0 where \mathfrak{g} is a Lie algebra acting on B by derivations, then B is a simple algebra.*

Proof. By Lemma 8, B is semisimple and $B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of ideals) for some simple algebras B_i . By Lemma 7, each B_i is \mathfrak{g} -invariant. Hence $q = 1$ and $B = B_1$. \square

Lemma 10. *If B is a G -simple finite dimensional associative or Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic 0 where G is a connected affine algebraic group rationally acting on B*

by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, then B is a simple algebra and G is acting by automorphisms only.

Proof. Since the radicals are invariant under all automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, B is semisimple and $B = B_1 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of ideals) for some simple algebras B_i . By [29, Chapter III, Section 5, Theorem 4], B_i are the only simple ideals of B . Hence there exists a homomorphism $\varphi: G \rightarrow S_n$ such that $B_i^g = B_{\varphi(g)(i)}$ for all $1 \leq i \leq q$ and $g \in G$ where S_n is the n th symmetric group. Thus G is the disjoint union of closed sets corresponding to different $\varphi(g) \in S_n$. Since G is connected, we get $B_i^g = B_i$ for all $1 \leq i \leq q$ and $g \in G$. Hence $q = 1$, $B = B_1$ and B is simple.

If $\text{Aut}(B) \neq \text{Aut}^*(B)$, then we have a homomorphism $G \rightarrow \text{Aut}^*(B)/\text{Aut}(B) \cong \mathbb{Z}_2$, which is again trivial. Hence G is acting by automorphisms only. \square

Theorem 15. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra over a field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a finite dimensional semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} acts on A by derivations. Then $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = \text{PIexp}(A)$.*

Proof. Again, without loss of generality we may assume F to be algebraically closed. Now we compare (2) with the formula for the ordinary PI-exponent [19, Section 6.2] and apply Lemma 9. \square

Remark. This fact is not surprising, since if all derivations are inner, differential identities are a particular case of generalized polynomial identities, for which the exponent of the codimension growth is equal to the PI-exponent too [20].

Remark. We have $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = \text{PIexp}(A)$, however the codimensions themselves can be different. Suppose $\mathfrak{sl}_2(F)$ is acting on $M_2(F)$ by the adjoint representation. Then $c_1(M_2(F)) = 1$, but $c_1^{U(\mathfrak{sl}_2(F))}(M_2(F)) > 1$.

Theorem 16. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0. Suppose a connected reductive affine algebraic group G acts on A rationally by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then $\text{PIexp}^G(A) = \text{PIexp}(A)$.*

Proof. We compare (2) with the formula for the ordinary PI-exponent [19, Section 6.2] and apply Lemma 10. \square

6.2. Lie algebras. Using [25, Section 1.8], we obtain the following formula for $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(L)$ where L is a finite dimensional Lie algebra over an algebraically closed field F of characteristic 0 with an action of a semisimple Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} by derivations. This formula is analogous to the formula for the $\text{PIexp}(L)$ (see [42, Definition 2]) which was later naturally generalized for $\text{PIexp}^G(L)$ and $\text{PIexp}^{\text{gr}}(L)$ in [22].

By Theorem 5, there exists a \mathfrak{g} -invariant maximal semisimple subalgebra B such that $L = B \oplus R$ (direct sum of \mathfrak{g} -submodules) where R is the solvable radical of L . Fix such \mathfrak{g} -invariant maximal semisimple subalgebra B .

Consider \mathfrak{g} -invariant ideals $I_1, I_2, \dots, I_r, J_1, J_2, \dots, J_r, r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, of the algebra L such that $J_k \subseteq I_k$, satisfying the conditions

- (1) I_k/J_k is an irreducible (\mathfrak{g}, L) -module, i.e. only trivial subspaces of I_k/J_k are invariant under the \mathfrak{g} -action and the adjoint L -action at the same time;
- (2) for any \mathfrak{g} -invariant B -submodules T_k such that $I_k = J_k \oplus T_k$, there exist numbers $q_i \geq 0$ such that

$$[[T_1, \underbrace{L, \dots, L}_{q_1}], [T_2, \underbrace{L, \dots, L}_{q_2}], \dots, [T_r, \underbrace{L, \dots, L}_{q_r}]] \neq 0.$$

Let M be an L -module. Denote by $\text{Ann } M$ its annihilator in L . Then

$$\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(L) = \max \left(\dim \frac{L}{\text{Ann}(I_1/J_1) \cap \cdots \cap \text{Ann}(I_r/J_r)} \right)$$

where the maximum is found among all $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and all $I_1, \dots, I_r, J_1, \dots, J_r$ satisfying Conditions 1–2.

7. S_n -COCHARACTERS AND AN UPPER BOUND FOR CODIMENSIONS

One of the main tools in the investigation of polynomial identities is provided by the representation theory of symmetric groups.

In this section H is an arbitrary associative algebra with 1. When we consider H -module Lie algebras, we require from H to be a Hopf algebra.

Let A be an associative algebra with a generalized H -action over a field F of characteristic 0. The symmetric group S_n acts on the spaces $\frac{P_n^H}{P_n^H \cap \text{Id}^H(A)}$ by permuting the variables. Irreducible FS_n -modules are described by partitions $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s) \vdash n$ and their Young diagrams D_λ . The character $\chi_n^H(A)$ of the FS_n -module $\frac{P_n^H}{P_n^H \cap \text{Id}^H(A)}$ is called the n th *cocharacter* of polynomial H -identities of A . Analogously, if L is an H -module Lie algebra, $\chi_n^H(L)$ is defined as the character of the FS_n -module $\frac{V_n^H}{V_n^H \cap \text{Id}^H(L)}$. We can rewrite $\chi_n^H(A)$ as a sum

$$\chi_n^H(A) = \sum_{\lambda \vdash n} m(A, H, \lambda) \chi(\lambda)$$

of irreducible characters $\chi(\lambda)$. Let $e_{T_\lambda} = a_{T_\lambda} b_{T_\lambda}$ and $e_{T_\lambda}^* = b_{T_\lambda} a_{T_\lambda}$ where $a_{T_\lambda} = \sum_{\pi \in R_{T_\lambda}} \pi$ and $b_{T_\lambda} = \sum_{\sigma \in C_{T_\lambda}} (\text{sign } \sigma) \sigma$, be Young symmetrizers corresponding to a Young tableau T_λ . Then $M(\lambda) = FSe_{T_\lambda} \cong FSe_{T_\lambda}^*$ is an irreducible FS_n -module corresponding to a partition $\lambda \vdash n$. We refer the reader to [4, 15, 19] for an account of S_n -representations and their applications to polynomial identities.

Lemma 11. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra with a generalized H -action or finite dimensional H -module Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic 0, with an H -invariant nilpotent ideal $I \subseteq A$, $I^p = 0$ for some $p \in \mathbb{N}$. Suppose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\lambda = (\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_s) \vdash n$. Then if $\sum_{k=(\dim A)-(\dim I)+1}^s \lambda_k \geq p$, we have $m(A, H, \lambda) = 0$.*

Proof. It is sufficient to prove that $e_{T_\lambda}^* f \in \text{Id}^H(A)$ for all $f \in P_n$ and for all Young tableaux T_λ corresponding to λ .

Fix a basis in A that contains a basis of I . Note that $e_{T_\lambda}^* = b_{T_\lambda} a_{T_\lambda}$ and b_{T_λ} alternates the variables of each column of T_λ . Hence if we make a substitution and $e_{T_\lambda}^* f$ does not vanish, then this implies that different basis elements are substituted for the variables of each column. Therefore, at least $\sum_{k=(\dim A)-(\dim I)+1}^s \lambda_k \geq p$ elements must be taken from I . Since $I^p = 0$, we have $e_{T_\lambda}^* f \in \text{Id}^H(L)$. \square

Theorem 17. *Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra with a generalized H -action or a finite dimensional H -module Lie algebra over a field F of characteristic 0, with an H -invariant nilpotent ideal $I \subsetneq A$. Then there exist $C_3 > 0$ and $r_3 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that*

$$c_n^H(A) \leq C_3 n^{r_3} ((\dim A) - (\dim I))^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. Lemma 11 and [19, Lemmas 6.2.4, 6.2.5] imply

$$\sum_{m(A, H, \lambda) \neq 0} \dim M(\lambda) \leq C_4 n^{r_4} ((\dim A) - (\dim I))^n$$

for some constants $C_4, r_4 > 0$.

If A is an H -module Lie algebra, $m(A, H, \lambda)$ are polynomially bounded by [25, Theorem 4]. If A is an associative algebra with a generalized H -action, we can use the same arguments. This yields the upper bound. \square

8. EXAMPLES AND CRITERIA FOR SIMPLICITY

In this section, except Subsection 8.5, we assume the base field F to be algebraically closed of characteristic 0.

8.1. Algebras with a (generalized) H -action. We will use the following two facts:

Example 4 ([25, Example 10]). Let B be a finite dimensional semisimple H -module Lie algebra where H is a Hopf algebra. If B is H -simple, then there exist $C > 0$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$Cn^r(\dim B)^n \leq c_n^H(B) \leq (\dim B)^{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Example 5 ([25, Example 11]). Let $L = B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ be a finite dimensional semisimple H -module Lie algebra where H is a Hopf algebra and B_i are H -simple Lie algebras. Let $d := \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \dim B_k$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^H(L) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Theorem 18 below is a generalization of [25, Theorem 15].

Theorem 18. *Let L be a finite dimensional H -module Lie algebra where H is a Hopf algebra. Suppose the nilpotent radical N of L is H -invariant. Then $\text{PIexp}^H(L) = \dim L$ if and only if L is an H -simple semisimple algebra.*

Proof. If L is H -simple semisimple, then $\text{PIexp}^H(L) = \dim L$ by Example 4. Suppose $\text{PIexp}^H(L) = \dim L$. Then by Theorem 17, $N = 0$. By [26, Proposition 2.1.7], $[L, R] \subseteq N = 0$ where R is the solvable radical of L . Hence $R = Z(L) \subseteq N = 0$ and L is semisimple. By [24, Theorem 6], L is the sum of H -simple Lie algebras. Now we apply Example 5. \square

Theorem 6 implies the following generalization of [23, Example 7]:

Example 6. Let $A = B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ be an associative algebra with a generalized H -action, where B_i are finite dimensional H -simple semisimple algebras and H is an associative algebra with 1. Let $d := \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \dim B_k$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^H(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Using [23, Lemma 4], we get

Example 7. Let B be an H -simple semisimple associative algebra with a generalized H -action where H is an associative algebra with 1. Then there exist $C > 0$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$Cn^r(\dim B)^n \leq c_n^H(B) \leq (\dim B)^{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Theorem 19. *Let A be a finite dimensional H -module associative algebra where H is a Hopf algebra with a bijective antipode. Suppose the Jacobson radical $J(A)$ is H -invariant. Then $\text{PIexp}^H(A) = \dim A$ if and only if A is H -simple.*

Proof. If A is H -simple, then A is semisimple since $J(A)$ is H -invariant. Hence $\text{PIexp}^H(A) = \dim A$ by Example 7. Suppose $\text{PIexp}^H(A) = \dim A$. Then by Theorem 17, $J(A) = 0$. Hence A is semisimple. By Lemma 1, A is the sum of H -simple associative algebras. Now we apply Example 6. \square

8.2. Algebras with derivations. Now we consider the case when $H = U(\mathfrak{g})$ for some Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} . Recall that by [29, Chapter III, Section 6, Theorem 7] the solvable radical and the nilpotent radical of a finite dimensional Lie algebra are invariant under all derivations. By [12, Lemma 3.2.2], the Jacobson radical (which coincides with the prime radical) of a finite dimensional associative algebra is invariant under all derivations too.

Example 8. Let B be a simple finite dimensional Lie or associative algebra with an action of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} by derivations. Then there exist $C > 0$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$Cn^r(\dim B)^n \leq c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(B) \leq (\dim B)^{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. We use Examples 4 and 7. □

Example 9. Let $B = B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of ideals) be a finite dimensional semisimple Lie or associative algebra with an action of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} by derivations, where B_i are simple algebras. Let $d := \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \dim B_k$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(B) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. By Lemma 7, B_i are \mathfrak{g} -invariant. Now we use Examples 5 and 6. □

Finally, we obtain a criterion for (differential) simplicity in terms of differential PI-exponent:

Theorem 20. *Let A be a finite dimensional Lie or associative algebra with an action of a Lie algebra \mathfrak{g} by derivations. Then $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{g})}(A) = \dim A$ if and only if A is \mathfrak{g} -simple if and only if A is simple.*

Proof. We use Theorems 18, 19, and Lemma 9. □

8.3. G -algebras. If a group is acting on an algebra by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, the radicals are invariant under this action. In the case of Lie algebras every anti-automorphism is a negative automorphism, so we can always restrict ourselves to the case when a group is acting on a Lie algebra by automorphisms only. (See [25, Lemma 28].)

Example 10. Let B be a finite dimensional Lie or associative algebra with an action of a group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. If B is G -simple, then there exist $C > 0$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$Cn^r(\dim B)^n \leq c_n^G(B) \leq (\dim B)^{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. We use Examples 4 and 7. □

Example 11. Let $B = B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of G -invariant ideals) be a finite dimensional semisimple associative algebra with an action of a group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms, where B_i are G -simple algebras. Let $d := \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \dim B_k$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^G(B) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. We use Examples 5 and 6. □

Now we obtain a criterion for G -simplicity:

Theorem 21. *Let A be a finite dimensional Lie or associative algebra with an action of a group G by automorphisms and anti-automorphisms. Then $\text{PIexp}^G(A) = \dim A$ if and only if A is G -simple.*

Proof. We use Theorems 18 and 19. □

8.4. Graded algebras. Using Lemma 6, we obtain the following examples and criterion for graded simplicity:

Example 12. Let B be a finite dimensional associative algebra graded by an Abelian group G . If B is graded simple, then there exist $C > 0$, $r \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$Cn^r(\dim B)^n \leq c_n^{\text{gr}}(B) \leq (\dim B)^{n+1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Example 13. Let $B = B_1 \oplus B_2 \oplus \dots \oplus B_q$ (direct sum of graded ideals) be a finite dimensional semisimple Lie or associative algebra graded by an Abelian group G , where B_i are graded simple algebras. Let $d := \max_{1 \leq k \leq q} \dim B_k$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} d^n \leq c_n^{\text{gr}}(B) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} d^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Theorem 22. Let A be a finite dimensional associative algebra graded by an Abelian group. Then $\text{Plexp}^{\text{gr}}(A) = \dim A$ if and only if A is graded simple.

When the grading group G is finite, we can use [23, Lemma 1] and derive the above from Examples 6, 7, and Theorem 19, even if G is not Abelian.

Analogous examples and criterion for Lie algebras were obtained in [25].

8.5. Examples of non-semisimple algebras. We conclude the section with the following two examples:

Example 14. Let F be a field of characteristic 0. Consider the associative subalgebra

$$A = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} C & D \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid C, D \in M_m(F) \right\} \subset M_{2m}(F) \text{ where } m \geq 2.$$

Define the linear embedding $\varphi: \mathfrak{sl}_m(F) \hookrightarrow A$, $\varphi(C) = \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and the following $\mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ -action on A by derivations: $a \cdot b = [\varphi(a), b]$ for all $a \in \mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ and $b \in A$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} m^{2n} \leq c_n^{U(\mathfrak{sl}_m(F))}(A) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} m^{2n} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. As we mentioned in the proof of Theorems 7 and 8 (Subsection 4.2), differential codimensions do not change upon an extension of the base field. Hence we may assume F to be algebraically closed.

Note that $A = B \oplus J$ (direct sum of $\mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ -submodules) where

$$B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid C \in M_m(F) \right\}$$

is a maximal semisimple subalgebra (which is simple) and

$$J = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & D \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid D \in M_m(F) \right\}$$

is the Jacobson radical of A . Hence (2) implies the claimed asymptotics. \square

Example 15. Let F be a field of characteristic 0. Consider the Lie subalgebra

$$L = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} C & D \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \mid C \in \mathfrak{sl}_m(F), D \in M_m(F) \right\} \subset \mathfrak{sl}_{2m}(F) \text{ where } m \geq 2.$$

Define the linear embedding $\varphi: \mathfrak{sl}_m(F) \hookrightarrow L$, $\varphi(C) = \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ and the following $\mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ -action on L by derivations: $a \cdot b = [\varphi(a), b]$ for all $a \in \mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ and $b \in L$. Then there exist $C_1, C_2 > 0$, $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$C_1 n^{r_1} (m^2 - 1)^n \leq c_n^{U(\mathfrak{sl}_m(F))}(L) \leq C_2 n^{r_2} (m^2 - 1)^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Proof. Again, differential codimensions do not change upon an extension of the base field. Hence we may assume F to be algebraically closed.

Note that $A = B \oplus R$ (direct sum of $\mathfrak{sl}_m(F)$ -submodules) where

$$B = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} C & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| C \in \mathfrak{sl}_m(F) \right\}$$

is a maximal semisimple subalgebra (which is simple) and

$$R = \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & D \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \middle| D \in M_m(F) \right\}$$

is the solvable (and nilpotent) radical of L . Then if $I_1, \dots, I_r, J_1, \dots, J_r$ satisfy Conditions 1–2 from Subsection 6.2, we have $R \subseteq \text{Ann}(I_1/J_1) \cap \dots \cap \text{Ann}(I_r/J_r)$, since R is a nilpotent ideal. Thus $\text{PIexp}^{U(\mathfrak{sl}_m(F))}(L) \leq (\dim L) - (\dim R) = m^2 - 1$. However, $L/R \cong B$ is a simple B -module. Hence $I_1 = L$ and $J_1 = R$ satisfy Conditions 1–2. Now we notice that $\text{Ann}(L/R) = R$, $\dim(L/\text{Ann}(L/R)) = m^2 - 1$, and Theorem 7 implies the claimed asymptotics. \square

In both examples, the differential PI-exponent coincides with the ordinary one.

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